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October 7, 1996

Mr. Charles C. Wildes  
Forest Supervisor  
Lolo National Forest  
Building 24, Fort Missoula  
Missoula, MT 59801

Re: Wild and Scenic River  
Suitability Study and Final  
EIS for Eight Rivers on the  
Lolo National Forest

Dear Mr. Wildes:

In accordance with our responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, the Region VIII Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) reviewed the referenced document.

The EPA agrees that implementation of the preferred alternative, Alternative 6a, supports the suitability for recommendation for designation of the eligible segments for inclusion in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

The EPA appreciates the opportunity to review and comment on the FEIS. If you have any questions please contact Mr. Steve Potts of my staff at (406) 441-1140 ext. 232, or you may want to contact Mr. Mike Hammer in our Denver Regional Office at (303) 312-7210.

Sincerely,

  
John F. Wardell  
Director  
Montana Office

cc: ~~Office of Federal Activities, EPA Washington DC~~  
Carol L. Campbell, 8EPR-EP, Denver

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